

Saturday June 29

**4pm** ~ **Emmett L. Beane, Jr.,** Birthday Remembrance, requested by his wife Jane **Sunday June 30** 

 $8am \sim Intentions \ of \ all \ our \ Parishioners \\ 10:30am \sim Mr. \ \& \ Mrs. \ Paul \ Ladouceur \\ requested \ by \ their \ daughter \ Paulette \ Jacobs$ 

Monday July 1

Ram ~ David Moffitt

**8am** ~ **David Moffitt,** 1st Anniversary, requested by John & Joyce Keslo

Nancy Lawlor requested by the Coombs family Tuesday July 2

8am ~ Members of the Demers Family requested by a friend Marie-Elaine Dinter requested by Andrea

Wednesday July 3

8am ~ Mr. & Mrs. Andre Turgeon requested by Mr. & Mrs. Roger Turgeon
 Lillian Bemish requested by the Fancher family

Thursday July 4

8am ~ In memory of St. Kateri Tekakwitha-Lily of the Mohawk, Patron Saint of the environment and ecology requested by St. Patrick Laudato Si' Circle

Friday July 5

8am ~ Prayers for the Ukraine requested by a friend

Michael Perruccio requested by his family Saturday July 6

 $8am \sim James Warren$  requested by the Lemieux family

**4pm** ~ **Joan Minton,** 11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, requested by her sisters Georgette & Andrea

The Choquette & Loiselle Families and Rita & Jerry Trottier requested by Al & Shirley Choquette & family

Sunday July 7

8am ~ Germaine Raby, 39th Anniversary, requested by the Raby family Irene Christie, 7th Anniversary, requested by Carol Martin

10:30am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners



Sunday, June 30

Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the parish center

Tuesday, July 2

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, July 3

Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM and 2:00-9:00 PM Food Pantry, 1:00-2:30 PM

Women's AA, 7:00-8:30 PM, in the parish center

Thursday, July 4

**Happy Fourth of July** 

Men's AA, 7:00 PM, in the parish center **Friday**, **July 5** 

Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the parish center

**The Parish Office** will be closed on Monday, July 1<sup>st</sup> and will reopen on Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. We will be closed to get ready for the new fiscal year.



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of **Mr. & Mrs. Paul Ladouceur,** Anniversary Remembrance, by their daughter Paulette Jacobs



This week the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of **Jimmy Kelly**, Birthday Remembrance, by Kathy Blanchette

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FROM OUR SEMINARIAN

# Churches Are a Sacred Space

It's important to keep in mind when entering the church that we are entering a sacred space: a space where the earthly liturgy reflects the heavenly one. Given that God dwells within the church, we should act accordingly. As described by the Catechism of the Catholic Church (#1186), "To enter into the house of God, we must cross a threshold, which symbolizes passing from the world wounded by sin to the world of the new Life to which all men are called."

It is because of this threshold that we cross, where we pass from a world wounded by sin to entering into God's presence, that we should be in a purified state. One of the main purposes of the holy water fonts that are located at the entrances of the church is for this exact reason; to purify ourselves before entering God's presence given that we are not worthy to enter God's sacred space.

It is a fairly common theme in the Old Testament that in order for the Israelites to be able to enter into the presence of God, who is holy, they themselves needed to become holy. Even Moses, who was the closest to God and the primary mediator between God and the Israelites, was not always allowed to enter God's tent. In order for the Israelites to restore their relationship with God and live in God's presence again, their sins had to be atoned for.

Typically, atonement consisted of various types of offerings or sacrifices that God requested of the Israelites; which were ways of saying thank you to God, or sorry and confessing to God. The majority of these sacrifices involved the slaughtering of animals; which were used as offerings for God on the Altar (which represented God). These sacrifices helped the Israelites become more aware of God's mercy and forgiveness. The slaughtered animal essentially took the place of the person's sin and was offered up to God.

This all serves as a reminder to us that when we enter God's presence at church or in the adoration chapel, we should be in a pure and holy state. It can be insulting and offensive to God if we enter into his presence while in an impure state. Similar to the Israelites in the Old Testament, there are actions that we can take to enter into a cleaner or holier state through frequent confessions, mortification, and the constant pursuit of growing in virtue.



"She fell down before Jesus and told him the whole truth." Let us lay down our lives before Jesus and share the whole truth with him. He may be calling you to follow Him as a priest, sister, or brother. Listen. Talk to your priest or reach out to Fr. Matt Mason, the Vocations Director at 603-663-0196 or <a href="mason@rcbm.org">mmason@rcbm.org</a>.



#### **WOMEN'S BIBLE SHARING**

Join our Women's Bible Sharing for the summer book club! We will be meeting 5 Tuesdays this summer to discuss the book *Anxious for Nothing* by Max Lucado. Grab your copy and join us for any or all dates: July 16<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>, August 6<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-10:00 AM in the Youth Room at the school. Contact Jennah Costa at 207-431-4546 or email: jennahcosta@yahoo.com with any questions. We hope to see you!

#### **OUO VADIS VOCATION CAMP**

Do you know where your life is going? The Lord Jesus has a great plan for you! High school age young men (ages 14-18) are invited to attend our upcoming Quo Vadis Vocation camp Monday, July  $29^{th}$  – Friday, August  $2^{nd}$  to look at the Lord's call in your life while having lots of fun. This is an overnight camp held at St. Methodios Faith and Heritage Center in Contoocook and is led by priests and seminarians from the diocese. The camp includes a full schedule of hiking, swimming, canoeing, sports and games, daily Mass and prayer, and opportunities to grow in friendship with the Lord and with each other. The cost is only \$50 and financial aid is available.

For more information or to register, please visit <a href="www.liveinblackandwhite.com">www.liveinblackandwhite.com</a> or contact Alyse Hlasny at 603-663-0183 or <a href="mailto:ahlasny@rcbm.org">ahlasny@rcbm.org</a>



Join us October 18-21, 2024
For a life-changing retreat!
Light of the World
held at St. Patrick School
sign up by contacting
the parish Office at 603-635-3525 at
kathy7421@comcast.net

The retreat is free, and you sleep at home. Please indicate dietary restrictions.



#### ADORATION

Did you know that the God of the universe has made Himself so present to us that we get to visit with Him? He is truly Emmanuel, "God with us". We call this Adoration. We have Adoration here at St. Patrick Parish every Wednesday from 8:30-9:30 AM, and from 2:00-9:00 PM. To sign up to be a committed adorer, once a week, or once a month, contact the Parish Office at 603-635-3525.



# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL July 8-12, 2024 (9:00 AM - Noon)

VBS is a summer camp filled with games, crafts, skits, experiments and goodies – all things FUN! Cost is \$50 a camper/\$100 family max and is for campers age 5-12. For more information, email Christine Lemieux: <a href="mailto:CMLemieux@proton.me">CMLemieux@proton.me</a>. You don't want your children to miss the BEST week of the summer! Register today!

#### **HEARING ASSISTANCE AT MASS**

If you have trouble hearing at Mass, we have portable hearing assistants that tap into our sound system. If you would like to borrow one for Mass, please check in the Sacristy before Mass.

First Friday Mass is this Friday, July 5th, at 8:00 AM.

First Saturday Mass is this Saturday, July 6<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00 AM.

#### **CREATE A LEGACY**

## Be a part of ensuring the future of our Church

In dealing with the most important questions of where our resources will go after we are not around to manage them, it is important to have a plan. When making these future plans, consider making a legacy gift to St. Patrick Parish and make an impact on our future ministries and the Catholic faith. With a simple bequest in your will or estate plan, you can make a significant difference in the future of our parish for generations to come. For more information about how to include St. Patrick's Catholic Church in your will, please contact Fr. Von or Therese Soucy in the parish office.

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE CATHOLIC APPEAL

We are grateful to all our parishioners who made a gift to the New Hampshire Catholic Appeal. As of today, our parishioners have raised \$38,825 toward our goal of \$54,308. We still need to collect \$15,483.

#### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

If anyone would like to sign-up to sponsor the Altar Flowers for 2025, please contact the parish office at 603-635-3525.

#### SANCTUARY CANDLE

If anyone would like to sign-up for the Sanctuary Candle in memory of a loved one for 2025, please contact the parish office at 603-635-3525.

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#### **PARISH COLLECTIONS**

In order for the parish to meet its regular expenses, our offertory and other designated parish collections must bring in **\$8,700** per week.

Parish Collections for the week of 6/23/24

Offertory Envelopes \$4,799 Offertory Electronic Giving \$1,542 **Total Offertory** \$6,341

Maintenance \$1,771

Total Funds Collected \$8,112

Thank you for your faithful & generous support ~Fr. Von~



# SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

## July 7 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the Parish.

#### July 14 Utility

This collection helps with the cost of utilities for the Church, Rectory, Parish Center and School.

#### **July 21** Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

## **July 28** Evangelization

To help promote the faith in our community through Retreats, Community Dinners, Charity and so much more.

#### Aug. 4 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the Parish.

Your contributions toward the support of the parish and its ministries are greatly appreciated.

## **CHURCH & PARISH OFFICES**

12 Main St.
Pelham, NH 03076
603-635-3525 (office)
603-635-3919 (fax number)

**Summer Hours:** Monday-Thursday 8:00-4:00

Friday 8:00-12:30 **PARISH WEBSITE** 

Website: www.stpatricks-pelham.com

**Pastor** 

Rev. Volney J. DeRosia - Ext. 15 Email: <a href="mailto:fathervon@comcast.net">fathervon@comcast.net</a>

**Priest in Residence** 

Msgr. Richard J. Kelley

Email: rkelley4372@gmail.com

**Faith Life Director** 

Adam Castor - Ext. 14

Email: faithlifeformation@comcast.net

**Youth Minister** 

Meghan Lemieux

Email: youthministry603@gmail.com

**Business Manager** 

Therese Soucy - Ext. 11

Email: therese42852@comcast.net

**Secretary** 

Kathleen Jean - Ext. 10

Email: kathy7421@comcast.net

**Music Ministry** 

Gary Williams 603-508-9288 Email: <a href="mailto:garvwendv6@comcast.net">garvwendv6@comcast.net</a>

Steve Caruso 603-401-0837

Help Souls on their way to Heaven

When Fr. Von gets called to anoint people who are dying, he calls on a group of people to pray a **Divine Mercy Chaplet** for them.

If you would like to join this ministry or want more information, contact Fr. Von at (603)-635-3525 or <a href="mailto:fathervon@comcast.net">fathervon@comcast.net</a>.

**PRAYER LINE** 

Please contact Lillian Murgia at 603-635-2634 or Lmurgia\_871@comcast.net

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4PM

Sunday 8AM, 10:30AM

**WEEKDAYS MASS SCHEDULE** 

Monday through Thursday 8am
Friday No Mass

First Friday and First Saturday 8am

**HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE** 

Holy Day 8am, 10am & 7pm

**ADORATION** 

Monday-Thursday6:30-7:40amWednesday8:30-9:30am

2:00-9:00pm

For more information, or to sign up call the Parish

Office at 603-635-3525

**RECONCILIATION** 

Saturday 3pm to 3:45pm

or by appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK &
COMMUNION TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

Please contact the Parish Office for arrangements

**BAPTISM** 

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a baptism. Parents are required to meet with the pastor and participate in a baptismal catechetical session prior to the celebration of the sacrament.

**MARRIAGE** 

Arrangements with the parish must be made at least nine months prior to the wedding. Fulfillment of a Diocesan, pre-marriage program is required.

**FORMED** 

To help you grow in your faith go to www.formed.org to register, go to pelham.formed.org

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** 

Care to join the Knights of Columbus? Please contact Erick Wright at 603-635-8772 or <a href="mailto:eqwright@comcast.net">eqwright@comcast.net</a>. More information online: <a href="https://www.kofcpelhamnh.org">www.kofcpelhamnh.org</a>